

Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. May a student who has graduated from high school participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?**
No. Only students who have not yet graduated from high school and who have met the other eligibility criteria may participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration.
- 2. May a student who has graduated from high school using AIMS Augmentation participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?**
No. Only students who have not yet graduated from high school and who have met the other eligibility criteria may participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration.
- 3. May a student who has not completed the coursework required for graduation participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?**
- 4. May a student who will finish the coursework required for graduation during summer school participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?**
No. Only students who completed the course work required for graduation prior to their school's scheduled graduation in May or June 2007 and who have met other eligibility criteria may participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration.
- 5. May a student who has passed AIMS HS but wishes to retest in an effort to improve his/her score participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?**
No. Only students who have not passed AIMS and who have met the other eligibility criteria may participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration.
- 6. May students who are home schooled or private schooled participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?**
No. The purpose of the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Assessment is to give students who were not able to graduate from an Arizona public school due solely to the AIMS graduation requirement one more opportunity to test.
- 7. May students who attend a BIA funded school participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?**
Yes. Students who attend BIA funded schools and who have met the eligibility criteria may participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration.
- 8. May ELL students participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?**
Yes. ELL students who have met the eligibility criteria may participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration.
- 9. What testing accommodations are available to ELL students during the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?**
ELL students may bring a word-for-word published, paper translation dictionary to the testing site for use on any of the three content areas. ELL students may ask the test proctor to clarify or simplify the language in the test directions in English. If the student requires an exact oral translation of the test directions in his/her native language, the student's school must provide, at the school's expense, a qualified school employee to serve as translator for the student. The ADE Assessment Section must be notified in advance if a translator will be provided for an ELL student. The ADE Assessment Section should also be contacted if ELL students require accommodations other than those listed above.

10. May special education students participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?

Maybe. Unless passing AIMS HS is specifically required by the student's IEP, state statute exempts special education students from the AIMS requirement. However, IEP teams may make passing one or more content areas of AIMS HS a requirement for high school graduation. In these cases, Special Education students who have met the eligibility criteria may participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration.

11. What testing accommodations are available to special education students during the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?

All accommodations as identified in the student's IEP may be provided to a special education student. The ADE Assessment Section should be contacted directly regarding any special education student requiring any testing accommodations so that appropriate arrangements can be made. The school may be required to provide, at the school's expense, a qualified school employee to assist in the administration of AIMS HS to a special education student requiring testing accommodations.

12. May students with 504 plans participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?

Maybe. Unless passing AIMS HS is specifically required by the student's 504 plan, state statute specifically exempts students with 504 plans from the AIMS requirement. However, a student's 504 plan may make passing one or more content areas of AIMS HS a requirement for high school graduation. In these cases, students with 504 plans who have met the eligibility criteria may participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration.

13. What testing accommodations are available to students with 504 plans during the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?

All accommodations as identified in the student's 504 plan may be provided to the student. The ADE Assessment Section should be contacted directly regarding any student with a 504 plan requiring any testing accommodations so that appropriate arrangements can be made. The school may be required to provide, at the school's expense, a qualified school employee to assist in the administration of AIMS HS to a student with a 504 plan requiring testing accommodations.

14. May students who require the use of a large print or Braille version of the AIMS HS test participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?

Yes. The ADE Assessment Section should be contacted directly regarding any student requiring the use of large print or Braille version of the AIMS HS test. The school may be required to provide, at the school's expense, a qualified school employee to assist in the administration of AIMS HS to a student requiring large print or Braille version of the AIMS HS test.

15. Will state funding be available for summer tutoring?

Yes. Seniors who only need to pass AIMS HS in order to receive a high school diploma are eligible for summer tutoring. For more information, go to www.ade.az.gov/asd/StateTutoring/ or contact Debby Francis at 602.364.3177 or Deborah.Francis@azed.gov.

16. If students used up all of their allotted tutoring hours previously, will they be permitted to participate in summer tutoring?

Yes. Every student who is eligible to participate in the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration is also eligible for up to 60 hours of tutoring even if the student has previously received tutoring.

17. Is the required summer remediation program limited to the state funded tutoring?

No. Schools may offer other remediation programs.

18. May a student who does not participate in a summer remediation program participate in Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?

No. Participation in a summer remediation program in the content area that is to be retested in July is required. Summer tutoring is one possible summer remediation program.

19. Is the state providing student transportation for the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?

No. Schools may offer transportation services. Otherwise, students are to supply their own transportation to the testing sites.

20. If a student is unable to attend on the scheduled date, are there make-up test dates for the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration?

No. There are no make-up dates for the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration.

21. If a student is unable to attend testing at his/her registered testing site, may he/she test at another testing site?

No. Students will select a testing site at the time of registration. Students may test at only their registered testing site.

22. If a student is eligible to participate in one content area of the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration, may he/she test on the other content areas also?

No. Eligibility for Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration is determined separately for each of the content areas.

23. May the scores from the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration be used for AIMS Augmentation?

Yes. Students who qualify for AIMS Augmentation may have their results from the Summer 2007 AIMS HS Administration augmented.

24. Will students who are eligible to participate in Summer 2007 AIMS receive a new GROW Guide?

No. They may use the one they received in January or download a static copy from the web. <http://www.azed.gov/asd/statetutoring/aimshstutoringguide.asp> .